

CLAIM LISTING

1. (currently amended) A method for reducing call setup delay comprising:
determining, by a base station (BS) prior to a channel assignment, whether upon channel assignment a mobile station (MS) may require a higher data rate than that which a primary channel can provide;
when the MS is in a non-traffic state and when the BS determines that the MS may require the higher data rate upon channel assignment,
sending, by the BS, channel assignment messaging to the MS to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment messaging comprises primary channel assignment information and supplemental channel assignment information;
sending, by the BS to the MS, data via a forward supplemental channel (FSCH) corresponding to the supplemental channel assignment information.

2-3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, ~~further comprising sending, by the BS to the MS, data via a Forward Supplemental Channel (FSCH) corresponding to the supplemental channel assignment information,~~ wherein the supplemental channel assignment information comprises IS-2000 Supplemental Channel assignment information.

5. (currently amended) The method of ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, wherein the data is sent without the BS sending to the MS a Service Connect Message (SCM) between sending the channel assignment messaging and sending the data.

6. (canceled)

7. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the MS may require the higher data rate comprises detecting whether at least one indicator is present from the group consisting of

- an amount of data waiting to be sent to the MS is greater than a threshold,
- email is waiting to be sent to the MS, and
- voice mail is waiting to be sent to the MS.

8-10. (canceled)

11. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the channel assignment messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of

- a supplemental channel identifier,
- an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,
- an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,
- an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,
- an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,
- an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,
- an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,
- an indication of whether to use the T_ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort feature,
- an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental channel assignment, and
- an indication of the number of bits per frame index.

12. (canceled)

13. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the MS may require the higher data rate comprises receiving a request from the MS for a supplemental channel.

14. (canceled)

15. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the MS may require the higher data rate comprises anticipating that the MS may require the higher data rate without an explicit indication that the MS will require the higher data rate.

16. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein anticipating that the MS may require the higher data rate involves detecting whether at least one indicator is present from the group consisting of

- the MS is capable of supplemental channel operation,
- a quantity of available wireless resources is greater than a threshold,
- a priority service level is associated with the MS,
- recent supplemental channel usage by the MS,
- a recent use by the MS of a service that uses a supplemental channel,
- data burst messaging is received from the MS,
- the MS is requesting a data service,
- the MS is requesting a dispatch service,
- the MS is indicating that the MS has data ready to send,
- the MS is indicating an amount of data waiting to be sent greater than a threshold, and
- a battery of the MS is low.

17. (canceled)

18. (currently amended) A method for reducing call setup delay comprising:
sending, by a base station (BS) to a mobile station (MS), a channel assignment to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment provides primary channel assignment information;

determining, by the BS, prior to service connection, whether upon service connection the MS may require a higher data rate than that which a primary channel can provide;

when the BS determines that the MS may require the higher data rate upon service connection,

sending, by the BS to the MS in the traffic state, service connection messaging that comprises supplemental channel assignment information, wherein the service connection messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of

a supplemental channel identifier,

an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,

an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,

an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,

an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,

an indication of whether to use the T ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort feature,

an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental channel assignment, and

an indication of the number of bits per frame index.

19-23. (canceled)

24. (currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the service connection ~~message~~ messaging comprises an IS-2000 Service Connect Message (SCM).

25-30. (canceled)

31. (currently amended) A method for reducing call setup delay comprising:
receiving, from a base station (BS) by a mobile station (MS) in a non-traffic state,
channel assignment messaging to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the
channel assignment messaging comprises primary channel assignment information and
supplemental channel assignment information;

acquiring a primary channel using the primary channel assignment information;
and

after acquiring the primary channel, ~~using a supplemental channel~~ receiving data
via a forward supplemental channel (FSCH) corresponding to the supplemental channel
assignment information.

32-38. (canceled)

39. (original) The method of claim 31, wherein the channel assignment
messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of

a supplemental channel identifier,

an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,

an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,

an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,

an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,

an indication of whether to use the T_ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort
feature,

an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental channel
assignment, and

an indication of the number of bits per frame index.

40. (original) The method of claim 31, further comprising sending, by the MS to
the BS, a request for a supplemental channel via messaging of a messaging type from

the group consisting of origination messaging, page response messaging, and reconnect messaging.

41. (currently amended) A method for reducing call setup delay comprising:
receiving, from a base station (BS) by a mobile station (MS), a channel assignment to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment provides primary channel assignment information;

acquiring a primary channel using the primary channel assignment information;

receiving, by the MS in the traffic state, service connection messaging that comprises supplemental channel assignment information, wherein the service connection messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of

a supplemental channel identifier,

an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,

an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,

an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,

an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,

an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,

an indication of whether to use the T ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort feature,

an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental channel assignment, and

an indication of the number of bits per frame index; and

after service connection, using a supplemental channel corresponding to the supplemental channel assignment information.

42-47. (canceled)

48. (currently amended) A base station (BS) comprising:
a transceiver;
a controller, communicatively coupled to the transceiver,
adapted to determine, prior to a channel assignment, whether upon
channel assignment a mobile station (MS) may require a higher
data rate than that which a primary channel can provide, and
adapted to send, via the transceiver when the MS is in a non-traffic state
and when the BS determines that the MS may require the higher
data rate upon channel assignment, channel assignment
messaging to the MS to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein
the channel assignment messaging comprises primary channel
assignment information and supplemental channel assignment
information, and
adapted to send, to the MS via the transceiver, data via a forward
supplemental channel (FSCH) corresponding to the supplemental
channel assignment information.

49. (currently amended) A base station (BS) comprising:
- a transceiver;
 - a controller, communicatively coupled to the transceiver,
 - adapted to send to a mobile station (MS) via the transceiver a channel assignment to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment provides primary channel assignment information,
 - adapted to determine prior to service connection, whether upon service connection the MS may require a higher data rate than that which a primary channel can provide, and
 - adapted to send to the MS in the traffic state via the transceiver, when the BS determines that the MS may require the higher data rate upon service connection, service connection messaging that comprises supplemental channel assignment information, wherein the service connection messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of
 - a supplemental channel identifier,
 - an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,
 - an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,
 - an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,
 - an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,
 - an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,
 - an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,
 - an indication of whether to use the T ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort feature,

an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental
channel assignment, and
an indication of the number of bits per frame index.

50. (currently amended) A mobile station (MS) comprising:
- a transceiver,
 - a processor, communicatively coupled to the transceiver,
 - adapted to receive, via the transceiver from a base station (BS) in a non-traffic state, channel assignment messaging to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment messaging comprises primary channel assignment information and supplemental channel assignment information,
 - adapted to acquire using the transceiver a primary channel using the primary channel assignment information, and
 - adapted to ~~use~~ receive via the transceiver, after acquiring the primary channel, data via a forward supplemental channel (FSCH) a ~~supplemental channel~~ corresponding to the supplemental channel assignment information.

51. (currently amended) A mobile station (MS) comprising:
- a transceiver;
 - a processor, communicatively coupled to the transceiver,
 - adapted to receive via the transceiver from a base station (BS) a channel assignment to transition the MS to a traffic state, wherein the channel assignment provides primary channel assignment information,
 - adapted to acquire using the transceiver a primary channel using the primary channel assignment information,
 - adapted to receive via the transceiver, by the MS in the traffic state, service connection messaging that comprises supplemental channel assignment information, wherein the service connection messaging comprises at least some information from the group consisting of
 - a supplemental channel identifier,
 - an indication of forward / reverse assignment type,
 - an indication of the number of supplemental channels assigned,
 - an indication of a duration for the supplemental channel assignment,
 - an indication of a start time for the supplemental channel assignment,
 - an indication of start time units used to indicate the start time,
 - an indication of a maximum allowed duration for discontinuous transmission,
 - an indication of whether to use the T ADD Reverse Supplemental Channel abort feature,
 - an indication of a Walsh cover identifier for the supplemental channel assignment, and
 - an indication of the number of bits per frame index, and

adapted to use via the transceiver, after service connection, a supplemental channel corresponding to the supplemental channel assignment information.